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December 18, 2017

Brock Eckstein
City of Elgin
PO Box 128
Elgin, OR 97828

RE: Correction - Compliance Inspection Report
City of Elgin Transfer Station
Solid Waste Disposal Permit No. 370
Union County

Dear Mr. Eckstein:

Note: Please re-place this cover letter and inspection report with the one previously sent with the November 20, 2017 inspection report.

On November 8, 2017 I completed a compliance inspection at the Elgin Transfer Station. The purpose of the inspection was to determine the extent of compliance with the conditions in your Solid Waste Transfer Station Permit. Please replace

Based on the results of my inspection, the Elgin Transfer Station was determined to be operating in compliance with permit requirements. The Elgin Transfer Station continues to be well maintained and operated. Please ensure the sign at the main entrance is maintained in accordance with your permit. Additionally, prior to open burning, your permit requires that you contact the DEQ. The contact information has changed. Please contact me at 541-298-7255 x 225 prior to burning. For your reference, I have enclosed a copy of my inspection report.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (541) 298-7255 x 225 or by email at: jones.jamie@deq.state.or.us.

Sincerely,

Jamie E. Jones
Natural Resource Specialist IV
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cc: Gina Ramoz, Solid and Hazardous Waste, Eastern Region Manager

Encl.



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FACILITY: The City of Elgin Transfer Station

PERMIT NO: 370

INSPECTOR NAME: Jamie Jones

INSPECTION DATE: November 8, 2017

COUNTY: Union

TIME SPENT: 30 min

Inspection Basis:

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| ☒ Compliance Inspection | ☐ Plan Review/Report Review | ☐ Citizen Complaint |
| ☐ Comprehensive Inspection | ☐ Permit Condition | ☐ Field Siting |
| ☐ Compliance Audit | ☐ Enforcement Follow-Up | ☐ Other (specify) |

Facility Type:

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| ☐ Open MSW Landfill | ☐ Open Construction/Demo LF | ☐ SWLA Facility |
| ☐ Closed MSW Landfill | ☐ Closed Construction/Demo LF | ☐ Tire Storage Facility |
| ☐ Open Industrial Landfill | ☒ Transfer Station | ☐ Tire Carrier |
| ☐ Closed Industrial Landfill | ☐ Material Recovery Facility | ☐ Private Business (no permit) |
| ☐ Open Woodwaste Landfill | ☐ Septage Lagoon | ☐ Private Residence (no permit) |
| ☐ Closed Woodwaste Landfill | ☐ Other (specify) | |

Inspection Summary:

I completed an unannounced compliance inspection on November 8, 2017. I met with Mr. Rainer Bolduc, who provided an overview and tour of the facility.

Transfer Station Status: The transfer station is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9:00 to 4:00.

Observations:

- The facility has installed a very nice new scale house.
- Operations have not significantly changed, but there have been many noticeable improvements since the previous inspection.
- In addition to the principle recyclable materials the facility appears to be accepting yard debris and materials for composting.
- As required in your permit, the DEQ must be notified prior to burning. The DEQ contact information has changed, please contact Jamie Jones at 541-298-7255 x 225 prior to burning.

Overall, the Transfer Station continues to be well maintained and operated. I did not observe any violations at the time of inspection.

Follow-Up:

1. Prior to open burning, the DEQ should be notified at 541-298-7255 x 225.
2. Please refer to section 2.6 and 6.9 of your permit prior to updating facility signage.

Arrival: 3:45 pm Departure: 4:15 pm Weather: Cloudy, light breeze, 50s

Photos of this inspection are attached at the end of the report.

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14) Unloading Areas - Are the areas for unloading of solid waste clearly defined by signs, fences, or barriers?

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: _____

15) Access Control - Is public access to the TS being controlled to prevent unauthorized entry and dumping?

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: _____

16) Fire Protection - Is adequate on-site fire control protection being provided? Have arrangements been made with the local fire control agency to immediately acquire their services when needed?

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: _____

17) Roads - Is the access road/s providing reasonable all-weather access for vehicles using the site?

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: _____

18) Entrance Sign - Is there a sign at the TS that contains: name of facility, emergency phone number, days and hours of operation, authorized and prohibited wastes, solid waste permit number and operator's address?

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: Plan to install a new sign

19) Recyclable Materials - Is the permittee providing a place for receiving the recyclable materials listed in the permit ---- either at the TS or at a more convenient location to the population served by the TS?

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: _____

20) Recycling Information - Is the permittee providing recycling information to disposal site users on printed handbills which includes the following information: the location of the recycling center at the disposal site or another location; the hours of operation of the recycling center; instructions for correct preparation of accepted source separated recyclable material; the materials accepted for recycling; and, the reasons why people should recycle?

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: _____

21) Recycling Sign - Is there a recycling sign, prominently displayed at the TS, which indicates: the availability of recycling at the TS site or another location; the materials accepted at the recycling center; and the hours of operation of the recycling center (if different than TS site hours)? (Note: The sign must indicate the recycling center location, if not at the TS site.)

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: _____

22) Recyclables Storage - Are all recyclable materials, except car bodies, white goods and other bulky items being stored in containers at the TS?

☒ Yes ☐ No Notes: _____

Violation Type:

- | | |
|---|--|
| ☐ General Permit Violation | ☐ Customer-Generated Waste Violation |
| ☐ Construction Violation | ☐ Health and Safety Violation |
| ☐ Landfill Operation Violation | ☐ Security and Access Violation |
| ☐ Transfer Station Operation Violation | ☐ Emergency Management Violation |
| ☐ Material Recovery Facility Operation Violation | ☐ Financial Assurance Violation |
| ☐ Compost Facility Violation | ☐ Closure/Post-Closure Violation |
| ☐ Leachate Management Violation | ☐ Illegal Disposal Site Violation (no permit) |
| ☐ Landfill Gas Management Violation | ☐ Nuisance Ordinance Violation |
| ☐ Groundwater Monitoring Violation | ☐ Waste Tire Violation |
| ☐ Air Monitoring and Emissions Violation | ☐ Tire Storage Permit Violations |

City of Elgin Transfer Station Photographs
Annual Compliance Inspection November 8, 2017

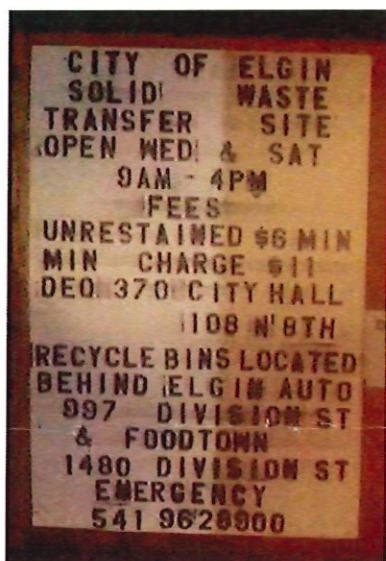


Photo 1: Entrance Sign



Photo 2: Scale House and new scale



Photo 3: Drop off area



Photo 4: Waste in Trailer



Photo 5 & 6: Scrap Metal